

PATENT APPLICATION

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: METHOD FOR PROVIDING USER AUTHENTICATION/AUTHORIZATION AND DISTRIBUTED FIREWALL UTILIZING SAME

the specification of which is filed herewith unless the following box is checked:

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor(s) certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor(s) certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Provisional Application

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U.S. Priority Claim

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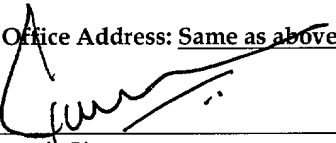
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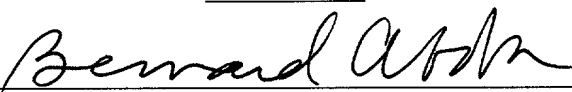
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